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SUBJECT: PROSPECTIVE U.S. VICE PRESIDENT AT ADB

1. PRESIDENT YOSHIDA INFORMED U.S. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR THAT HE PLANS TO RECOMMEND TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS THAT IT APPOINT INDIAN FINANCE MINISTRY OFFICIAL A.T. BAMBAWALI AS VICE PRESIDENT. BAMBAWALI WOULD BE SENIOR VP AND BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DEVELOPMENT OPERATIONS OF BANK. YOSHIDA WILL RAISE MATTER WITH BOARD IN NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS AND AT SAME TIME STATE HE WOULD WANT TO APPOINT A SECOND VP "FROM A MAJOR DONOR COUNTRY." SECOND VP WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ADF REPLENISHMENT ACTIVITIES (SIR JOHN CHADWICK'S PRESENT TASK); LOAN FLOTATIONS OF BANK; OTHER GENERAL FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING BUDGET, AS WELL AS ADMINISTRATION.

2. YOSHIDA HAS NOT AS YET PREPARED GROUNDWORK FOR BOARD
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ACCEPTANCE OF THIS RECOMMENDATION AND HAS ASKED U.S. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ASSIST IN THIS EFFECT. BEFORE SO DOING USADB WOULD APPRECIATE LEARNING WHETHER WASHINGTON FINDS YOSHIDA'S ORGANIZATIONAL PROPOSAL ACCEPTABLE.

3. YOSHIDA CLEARLY CONCERNED THAT HIS PROPOSAL TO BOARD THAT SECOND VP BE APPOINTED WILL RESULT IN VARIOUS

COUNTRIES SCRAMBLING FOR POSITION. HE ALSO NOT YET CONVINCED AUSTRALIANS WILL NOT MAKE "COLLEGE TRY" FOR A VP SLOT, EVEN GOING SO FAR AS TO RESURRECT FIVE VP PROPOSAL.

4. U.S. WOULD OBVIOUSLY BE IN STRONGER POSITION IF WE COULD OFFER ONE OR PREFERABLY TWO OR MORE STRONG CONDDIDATES FOR YOSHIDA'S CONSIDERATION. HE THEN WOULD BE IN A POSITION TO INFORM BOARD THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO APPOINT MR. X WHO "JUST HAPPENED TO BE FROM U.S." IN BEST OF ALL POSSIBLE WORLDS YOSHIDA WOULD LIKE TO HAVE PROSPECTIVE U.S. VP ON BOARD BEFORE END OF YEAR AS "CONSULTANT" SINCE ADB BUDGET WILL BE BEING PREPARED. HE REALIZES, HOWEVER, THIS PROBABLY UNREALISTIC, BUT WANTS VP IN PLACE "AS SOON AS POSSIBLE."

5. YOSHIDA ALSO CONCERNED THAT ADB SALARY SCALE INSUF- FICIENT TO ATTRACT FIRST RATE U.S. INDIVIDUAL, PARTICULARLY IN LIGHT SECTION 911 TAX PROBLEM. AT U.S. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REQUEST YOSHIDA AGREED TO LOOK INTO QUESTION OF LEGALITY AND POLICY APPROPRIATENESS OF U.S. GOVT OFFICIAL BEING "SECONDED" TO BANK WHILE OFFICIAL CONTINUES TO DRAW U.S. SALARY AND ALLOWANCES. HE SEEMED DUBIOUS, HOWEVER, ABOUT PROPRIETY, IF NOT LEGALITY OF IDEA.

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COMMENT: ON BASIS OF EVEN VERY LIMITED STAY HERE, IT CLEAR TO ME THAT IT IMPORTANT WE EXPAND THE NUMBER OF SENIOR AMERICANS ON THE ADB STAFF. THE SITUATION, HOW- EVER, IS WORSENING RATHER THAN IMPROVING, AS A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF U.S. OFFICIALS ARE ACTIVELY SEEKING ALTERNATIVE EMPLOYMENT DUE TO 911 TAX PROBLEM. I TRUST INTERESTED WASHINGTON AGENCIES ACTIVELY WILL SEEK SUITABLE CANDIDATES. IN THIS CONNECTION, YOSHIDA STATED HE WOULD WELCOME RELATIVELY YOUNG, VIGOROUS INDIVIDUAL.
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